

# THE INDEX

MEDICINE LODGE, KANSAS

THURSDAY, AUG. 19, 1931.

## LOCAL NEWS ITEMS.

Remember we can do your job work for you in good shape.

Dick Lee and Mr. Miles went up to Hutchinson this week.

John Huff moved out to his ranch on Monday of this week.

W. W. Cook has our thanks for favors rendered the first of the week.

J. P. Jones came in this week and ordered his brand inserted in the Index.

Mr. Stiles, of the Turkey Creek mills, made us a short call the first of the week.

J. W. Singer and D. Van Slyke took a business trip over to Harper last Friday.

Warren Houghton returned from his visit to Milwaukee, last Saturday evening.

Ed. Branch, living down the river, is visiting friends in Kingman county this week.

Frank Rogers, son of Mr. Rogers, of Wichita, was in town several days last week.

A. H. Mills and John Wilson are down in the Territory this week buying shipping cattle.

In order to be in style, E. W. Huff and lady are now boarding at the Medicine Lodge House.

Is about two weeks James Wilson will ship to Kansas City one hundred and ten head of steers.

Our good friend, T. G. Guttip, came down and renewed his subscription to the Index, this week.

As usual in such cases, nearly every Mule Creek man was at Medicine Lodge attending the trial.

On Sunday last Miss Frank Ramsey started for Princeton, Illinois, where she will attend school the coming winter.

Our compositor, Morgan, is up to Hutchinson this week, visiting his parents—which makes it hard on the editor.

Standford, Youman & Co. intend to put in an iron and glass front in their new building. Medicine Lodge is rapidly assuming metropolitan airs.

James Wilson, than whom no better man lives in Barber county, came in and renewed his allegiance to the Index, this week.

Leo Lockhart, of Sun City, made us a very pleasant call on Tuesday. Mr. L. is a gentleman and we are always pleased to meet him.

Two gentlemen from Sidney, Iowa, whose names we did not learn, were looking over the county with a view of locating in the stock business.

Bob Eckert was over to Wellington this week on a pleasure trip—it being the first recreation he has allowed himself since he has been here.

The election for treasurer of this school district which was held last Thursday, resulted in D. Van Slyke being elected for the ensuing term of three years.

Bob Thompson, of Freeman county, Iowa, a former pupil of Rev. Axline's, was in town the first of the week and made this office a pleasant call.

We are in receipt of a complimentary ticket to the Biograph Grove Musical Jubilee to-morrow and next day. It will be a grand entertainment, and no mistake.

Old Dr. Ayres came logging into our office yesterday two of the largest and most delicious musk melons that we have seen since our residence in Kansas. Many thanks for the same, doctor.

Our people were much disappointed last Saturday night at not receiving any mail from the east. The cause of this was that an excursion train was run from Harper to Winfield, thereby causing the mail to lay over at Wellington.

Geo. Geppert is one of the best and most judicious advertisers in this country. Any body could tell that he believed in the liberal use of printer's ink from the manner in which he has ornamented the gable end of his warehouse.

Story & Ward inform us that their business is increasing every day. We are pleased to see this. They treat everybody with respect and their work is never slighted. Always patronize the men you know are square, is our motto.

A man from Sedgewick county was in town last week with a large load of peaches which he retailed to our citizens for a dollar per box. Every one of them bore evidence of the severe hail storm that visited that section early in the season.

A man who served through the late rebellion and came out with the loss of a toe or finger, is in luck these days, as this great Nation of ours remembers in a substantial manner the men who fought for her. The other day Mr. Hooker received \$400 back pension as compensation for the loss of a toe.

The new hotel at Lake City was opened with a dance a week ago yesterday evening. A splendid time is reported by all who attended. Harry Van Trees and lady did all in their power for the comfort of their guests. Reuben says some of the boys became a little tired before morning—but that was to be expected.

Moore, Williamson and Todd, of the southwestern stock company, were in town Tuesday evening making the quarterly settlement with their agent, W. D. Van Slyke. To show that a vast amount of money matter comes to this place, we will just state that during the past three months nearly a thousand dollars has been paid to the stage company for express.

That wild, unspeakable thrill of delight which is experienced but twice in a man's lifetime—once when the being he adores calls him "husband," and again when he grows upon the pink and white specimen of humanity that is to call him "gapa," entered the soul of Harry Anderson yesterday afternoon, when his wife presented him with a fine girl baby.

Married, at the residence of the bride's father, by S. J. Shepler, moderate judge, Mr. Oscar Turner to Miss Belle Brewster. All of this place.

A couple of gentlemen by the name of Kufman and Oliver, from Wellington, have leased the building south of the Index office, and will put in a bakery and a fine stock of confectionery.

E. W. Huff has placed us under lasting obligations for favors rendered this week. There are many good traits of character about Ears, but one of the best is his loyalty to his friends. This is one secret of his success in business here.

Faxon & McMurtry inform us that they could not sell their wool clip here at reasonable figures, so they shipped it direct to Boston, where they received twenty-seven cents for it. It was an extra quality of wool, and the cost per pound for shipping it to Boston, was three cents.

The young fugitives, Jim Bothwell and Roy Brandon, were met the other day near the old Updegraff ranch. Jim's journey escaped from him and came back to town and the boys were taking turns knocking it. The romance of this wild life has been worn threadbare long ere this.

A young gentleman from St. Louis by the name of Rohoteguy, is stopping at the Medicine Lodge hotel. He is a Frenchman—having been born and bred in the city of Paris. He has been in this country but a few years, and this part of the moral heritage seems rather wild to him.

We always feel like speaking a good word for a hotel, where it is the evident desire to please the guest. For instance there is the European Hotel, at Wellington, that surpasses any other house in the city. The landlady, Mrs. Post, is very attentive to the comfort of her guests, and of course does a good business.

The first number of the Star, published at Cleveland, Kansas county, has made its appearance at this office. It is a neat, seven column folio published by John W. Beebe, and considering the smallness of the hamlet, has a fair advertising patronage. The Star has our best wishes for financial success.

One of the Mexicans that are with Pope's herd of ponies, "smelled" of a bottle that had contained liquor, and it is astonishing how it loosened his tongue. Before that he could hardly speak a word of English, but afterwards the way he ripped out American oaths, caused a blue vapor to ascend towards the ceiling.

Oscar Capps was in town Friday evening, and of course the band boys came forth and gave us some excellent music, and it seemed like old times to have Ocar about. He was on his way to Kingman to look after one hundred bushels of wheat belonging to him that is in danger of spoiling.

The Mite society at the residence of Mrs. D. Van Slyke on last Friday evening, was a very enjoyable affair, although the light shower kept many away that are in the habit of attending. Mrs. Van is a very intelligent and refined lady and understands exactly how to entertain company—if it don't rain.

We should like to propose this question to Capt. Folks, of the Wellington Press: For what reason have you seen fit to scratch the INDEX from your exchange list? We have missed it from our table for some time and have come to the conclusion that you have given us "the shake." Speak out, Captain.

Rev. A. D. Johnson, from Michigan, brother of A. J. Johnson, of Spring Vale, preached in the school house in this place last Sabbath morning—also delivered a temperance lecture in the evening, which was highly spoken of. He requests us to announce that he will preach again next Sabbath morning and evening.

Perhaps it is not generally known that cold chicken is a little scarce, has the same effect upon the human system that a good big dose of cod liver oil. We opine that if the pioneers of last Sunday had been aware of this, they would have passed the cold "feller legs" by with contempt—at least we are certain we should.

Quite a large crowd assembled at the race track last Saturday, expecting to see some exciting races; but were doomed to disappointment. Either there were no fast horses there, or their owners did not have [the necessary] seed to run them. The track is in good condition, and if there are any sporting men in the county, let them come out.

There seems to have been a little misunderstanding in regard to the sale of the Sun City mail route. Dougherty turned over the stock and backboard to Walter Epey and went to running a threshing machine in Sedgewick county. He came back week before last and again took possession of the route and Walter didn't seem to know how he did it.

A dancing party was held at Charley Valadin's camp on last Thursday evening, and there was quite a large attendance from this place. We were unable to attend, but several of the country boys have since informed us that the gentlemen from town seemed to enjoy themselves hugely. One young lady said the boys did not act so funny and she couldn't think what was the matter with them.

We must confess that had we known that the ladies who were to compose the picnic party at Faxon's camp last Sunday, were a part of the crowd who cut such a figure in the gypsum hills week before last, we should have hesitated before going among them. For a time there was a constant buzz about our ears like unto a lot of hornets whose nest has been disturbed. Finally matters were smoothed over.

J. T. Whitelaw and Geo. Ormer, together with Hook, of Hutchinson, and Gille, of Kingman, were employed by the people of Pratt county to prosecute the county attorney, clerk and two commissioners for fraudulently issuing thousands of dollars' worth of scrip and bonding it. They admitted their guilt and at once tendered their resignation, which was accepted, of course. The attorneys then appointed the best men in the county to fill the various offices, and matters have quieted down somewhat. Of course these soundbys could have been sent to the penitentiary but it would have taken two or three years and many hundred dollars to have sent them there, and the county is virtually bankrupt. Therefore it was thought the better way to let them skip.

Mrs. Dr. Kessler sold a one hundred and twenty-five dollar organ to Mrs. Grace Debee, one day last week.

Dr. Kessler recently successfully removed a tumor from a lady in this county, that weighed over five pounds.

## STOCKMEN'S MEETING.

On Saturday, August 27th, there will be a meeting of the Stock Growers' Association at the school house in Medicine Lodge for the purpose of taking into consideration matters of the most vital importance to the association.

R. B. CARTER, Secretary. F. B. HUNT, President.

On Monday of this week a drove of about seventeen thousand Mexican sheep were brought to this place. Some parties from Elk county contracted for them. We understand it is the intention to divide the lot—one bunch being taken to Caldwell, one to Elk county and one will be left here. This is certainly the largest drove of sheep that has been seen in these parts for some time.

A new stock company for the purpose of raising sheep, is being talked up in the southern part of the county, and a Major Drumm has expressed his approbation of the scheme, it will undoubtedly come to a focus. The idea is for twenty men to put in one hundred dollars apiece, purchase a ranch and stock it. Some man who understands the business thoroughly, could be hired to take care of them, and it would be but a few years until the stock holders would find themselves wealthy with but little worry or trouble.

Some friends and relatives of the Wilson boys, residing in Pennsylvania, read an account of some parties of the same name being killed in Texas while after cattle, and at once wrote to the post master here to learn the particulars. We can assure them that the Wilson brothers of this county are the liveliest corpses they ever saw. There is not a particle of danger of their ever being murdered, for they are men who attend strictly to their own affairs—and when people do that they can go anywhere and not be molested.

We are informed by parties who have driven over it, that the cattle trail from the Barber county line to Harper, is a nearly nine miles farther than the main road, and there is not a drop of running water. Those who have driven over it, say they will not do so again. We think the proper and only way for the railroad company to do is to build their road on to this point, and thus the cattle men will avoid the disagreeable features of the Harper trail.

An action of replevin was commenced before Justice Davis, of this township, some weeks ago, in which Mrs. Addie Miller and Fred Cornell were plaintiffs and S. F. Spencer defendant. The case was adjourned for hearing on the 15th of this month. The plaintiffs sought to recover possession of two yokes of oxen which they claimed Spencer wrongfully detained. Monday and Tuesday were occupied in the trial, and the jury after being out until midnight, returned a verdict in favor of plaintiff.

W. J. Estill and his two sons made this office a pleasant call on Monday. One of them, W. C. Estill, is from Petersburg, Ill., and this is his first visit here. Both of his hands have been amputated above the wrists and he has lost his right eye. The manner in which he was so badly crippled was this: During a Presidential election thirteen years ago, he was assisting to load and fire a cannon, when the thing burst and shattered his hands so badly that amputation was necessary. A piece of iron struck him in the right eye, and that had to be taken out, leaving him in a very helpless condition. The gentleman likes Barber county first-rate and will, no doubt, in the near future, engage in the stock business.

We do not believe in sending away for goods that we can buy at home. Our merchants are selling goods at the lowest living rates. They live among us and are entitled to our trade. If we give them our patronage they will strive to keep the best of goods, and will endeavor to please us to prices. It is better to pay a few cents more for your goods at home, than to trade with men who have no interest in your town, only interested enough to take from us our money. Our merchants spend their money among us. They make improvements as fast as their means will permit. The money is expended among us. In fact we never knew a person to send off for their goods when the same goods could be purchased here, who were not galled. It is well to take heed and ponder over these things. We may be right and may be wrong, but we shall run the chances in saying that we are right.

Quite an exciting episode occurred in the western part of the county last Sunday. A young lady and a young gentleman have long loved each other and would have "jumped the broomstick" ere this had the match not been strongly opposed by the parents of the girl. One day last week the said young man came to town and procured a marriage license of the Probate Judge—but of course neglected to ask the consent of all parties interested. On Sunday the couple attended Sunday school, and after services quietly stepped into a buggy and struck out for Lake City where they were to have been married. In the meantime the young lady's parents had "taken a big tumble to the racket" that was going on, saddled a couple of horses and gave chase. The young couple, having the start, were rapidly nearing the goal, and their hearts were beating an exultant and joyful tattoo against their bosoms, and visions of a tidy cottage, with trailing juncos and children playing about the door—were already floating through their brain, when they suddenly entered a long, narrow lane and found it completely blocked with sheep—there being fully seventeen thousand of them. The young man attempted to force a passage through the woolly mass—but it was no go, and he was compelled to sit quietly and wait for the pursuers to come up. The girl was taken home and the young man was told to keep his distance; but he is so much all that is great and good that he will have the young lady yet, even if he is compelled to skip out with her to the classic wilds of old Missouri.

Reuben Lake says the boys had a spilt did dance at the residence of F. A. Lewis north of Lake City, last evening.

J. L. Keller was recently married to a Miss Watkins, of San City. Owing to the extreme modesty of the young man, we could learn none of the particulars further than that he had "gone and done it."

Dr. Yant, dentist, wishes us to announce that he will leave Medicine Lodge after the 23rd of this month, on a trip to the east, and will be gone several weeks. All parties wanting dental work done, had best call soon.

Married, at Lake City on Friday evening, August 13th, 1931, Mr. John W. Pettiglow, of Comanche county to Mrs. Rhoda Simons, of this county.

In order to give the newly married couple a start towards housekeeping, their friends presented them with the following useful articles: E. F. Kimbrough, glassware, T. Collins, cups and saucers, R. Gregory, knives and forks, J. Smeary, plates and sugar bowl, John Lar-kins, two pitchers, T. Ferguson, platter, Monroe Bush, smoking cap, R. Lake, a lamp and Mrs. Lake box of starch. After the ceremony was over the boys indulged in social glasses of soda pop and "tea foam." Our best wishes are extended to the couple for future happiness and prosperity, and may their life be long in the land.

W. H. Hamilton, of the firm of Hamilton & Curl, blank book manufacturers of Topeka, was in town this week, and made this office a call. He is a pleasant appearing fellow, and the firm does good work. We did not learn whether he secured any orders for job work, or not—but presume he did. There are a few men doing business in every town, who would rather send away for their work if they can get it a few cents lower, although the quality may be better. The way to look at the matter, is this. Supposing when we desired to purchase dry goods or groceries, or anything else our own merchandise keep, we should send to Kansas City for them because they could be bought cheaper? They would think it was entirely wrong. Neither do we relish the idea of their sending away for job work when we can do it for nearly the same price.

By invitation we visited Faxon & McMurtry's camp for the first time, on last Saturday, where we met quite a company, consisting of F. H. Chapman and family, S. E. W. Field and family, Mrs. Brand and Miss Urdal. They were prepared for a picnic, and tables were spread under the trees when all drew up and did ample justice to the good grub set before them. Before dinner we felt an aching void beneath our belt, but we had no idea that we were storing the grub away with such rapidity until we noticed the balance of the party gazing at us in open mouthed wonder. The day being very hot, after dinner the ladies and gentlemen found a shady nook and remained there until about five o'clock, when which went out to view the sheep, of which there are about eighteen hundred, and Messrs. Faxon & McMurtry went to buy more. They have a well arranged camp and are evidently making money—as they deserve to—for they are whole-souled, honorable men. We returned home at night feeling that indeed we had spent a pleasant day on a Barber county sheep ranch.

Leave information at this office

—1st class 2 foot carpenter rule for 25 cts, at Sheldon's. 3 2

Ladies, call and see the new stock of prints at Standford & Youman's. 3

—Geo. Geppert, agent for the Brown Pat. call wanner 9

—Screen Doors at Geo. Geppert's 1 1

IMMENSE! IMMENSE! IMMENSE!

Is no name for the stock of goods that Standford, Youman & Co. now have on their shelves. We have anything and everything a man, woman or child may need.

—Wood and Iron Pumps at Geo. Geppert's. 46

—A Calf boot for \$2.50 at Sheldon's. 2 1

—Judd's carpet sweepers, at Sheldon's. 3 3

—Cook stoves of all descriptions at Geppert's. 1 1

—Ready made cheviot shirts at Sheldon's for only 50cts. 1-1

—Cheap carpets of all kinds at Young's. 3-1

—Go to Sheldon's for your buggy whips. 1-1

—Ladies, go to Sheldon's for Hosiery. 2

—Tinware, CHEAPER than ever known before, at Sheldon's. 2

—Heavy shirting at 10cts per yard at Sheldon's. 2-1

—Furniture polish at Sheldon's. n3 v3

—Bird Cages of all kinds at Geppert's. 2-1

—Brass pins at Sheldon's. 1

—Perforated board of all colors at Sheldon's. 1

—Genuine Otter Hats at Standford, Youman & Co., Price \$9.00. 38tf

—Fresh bolted meal at Sheldon's. 1

—Standford & Youman sell good Tag tobacco at 50 cents per pound. 7

A full line of Clothing, the largest and best ever received in this city, now offered by Standford Youmans & Co. no12tf

—genuine Mexican Sombrero hats at Standford, Youman & Co. Price, \$15.00. 38-tf

FUN FOR THE BOYS AT LILLY'S HALL.

Money will make the balls roll till the fools are all dead. Billiards and pin-pool, Jenny Lind or pigeon-hole, fifteen ball or pocket pool, with none of the objectional features of a saloon. For a quiet social hour, go to Lilly's hall. 30 tf

E. W. LILLY.

Standford & Youman have just received an IMMENSE stock of new goods of all kinds. Call and examine our stock before you buy elsewhere. 3

—We have now on hand the BEST variety of California Saddles ever offered in Medicine Lodge. We will sell at the LOWEST LIVING PRICES. 2-8

H. BLACKBURN & Co.

—A nice stock of Hats just received at Lebrecht's. 41

—All clothing at cost at Sheldon's. 9

—Waterbury Lever Clock at Geppert's. 9

—Chew Old Buck Tobacco, and smoke Iron Dukes, for sale at D. VanSlyke's. 52

TAKEN UP.

By Dean brothers, at the head of Little Mule Creek, two large horses fifteen hands high, branded with a box. Owner can have them by proving property and paying for this notice. 11

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# CITY DRUG STORE!

—The Denver Leggings at Standford, Youman & Co. 30 tf

A full Line of Canned Goods at S. & Y's. 2

—A Full Line of Dry Goods and Notions at S. Y. & Co's. 9

—The Denver saddles at Standford, Youman & Co.. 40 tf

100 Different styles of Prints at S. Y. & Co's. 9

Go see the immense stock of Boots and shoes, at D. Van Slyke's. no12tf

A full and complete Stock of Boots and shoes at Standford Youmans & Co. no12tf

—S. Lebrecht is constantly adding to his already large stock of Groceries. Call and see. 41

—The place to get Gents' Furnishing Goods is at Lebrecht's.

—Best and Cheapest Four steel Barbed Fence Wire at Geo. Geppert's. 46

—Go and see the large stock of Candies at the Central Grocery. 28 tf

A Full Line of Pacific Prints and Fancy shirtings at S. & Y's 4

—Diamond Fastened Overalls—warranted not to rip, at Standford, Youman & Co.. 38-tf

A complete assortment of Queensware, at Standford Youmans & Co. no12tf

—Baby Carriages at Geo. Geppert's. 48

—slates, slates, at Sheldon's for five cents.

—A new and fine stock of Boots and Shoes at Lebrecht's. 41

—Standford, Youman & Co. now have on hand an immense stock of Ready made Clothing, of the latest styles. Go and see. 38tf

—Nobby stock of Boots and shoes at Standford, Youman & Co. 40 tf

—Buy your starch at Sheldon's

—Lots of new goods arriving at Lebrecht's. 16

STRAYED.

From the undersigned, at Sun City, about the 1st of June, 1 black horse branded 7J connected left shoulder, and T wheel on left shoulder. 1 gray horse branded 7J on left shoulder and H4 connected on left thigh.

J. L. KELLER.

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